to this institution finds that it is a hopeless thing to follow, because, by a reference to the budget, it will be seen that for the Farm operations Rs. 8,500 are spent, for the fodder of cattle, exclusive of the charges of the cattle-breeding operations, Rs. 7,000 spent for cooly labour, and like expenses incurred for securing an income of Rs. 12,000 and odd worth of paddy and other minor items of income. At this rate, the amount swells to something like Rs. 23,000 and odd, not to speak of the establishment charges. This will go to show that this model Farm is intended for all agriculturists as a model not to follow. Since other points have been urged by my colleagues, I do not mean to speak anything upon them.

Excise.—The policy of the Government, as stated in the Financial Statement, is the maximum income from the minimum consumption ; but the budget shows otherwise, because a reference tells us that the income from fermented toddy tapping was :—

1097	....	....	Rs. 94,000
1098	...	....	,, 1,20,000
1099	....	....	,, 1,40,000
1100	....	....	,, 1,65,000

and in 1101 Rs. 1,80,000, whereas for jaggery in 1097 it was nearly Rs. 8,000. In 1098 and 1099 it was Rs. 7,000. In 1100 and 1101 it has gone down to Rs. 8, 000. Now, jaggery is an industry which ought to have been encouraged in the State ; but I am extremely sorry to find that the department is absolutely discouraging that industry. These jaggery tappers are not given licenses till all the fermented toddy tappers are supplied with licenses. Their licenses are withheld till the end of Chingam, or even the middle of Kanni, for this express purpose ; then only jaggery tappers are given licenses, of course, looking merely to the income of the State. The department has not looked very much to the encouragement of jaggery tapping. It has resulted in jaggery being imported into the State from Travancore and the neighbouring British parts. The fact that jaggery manufactured in our State has come to cost more than the jaggery imported from other parts is very discouraging.

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